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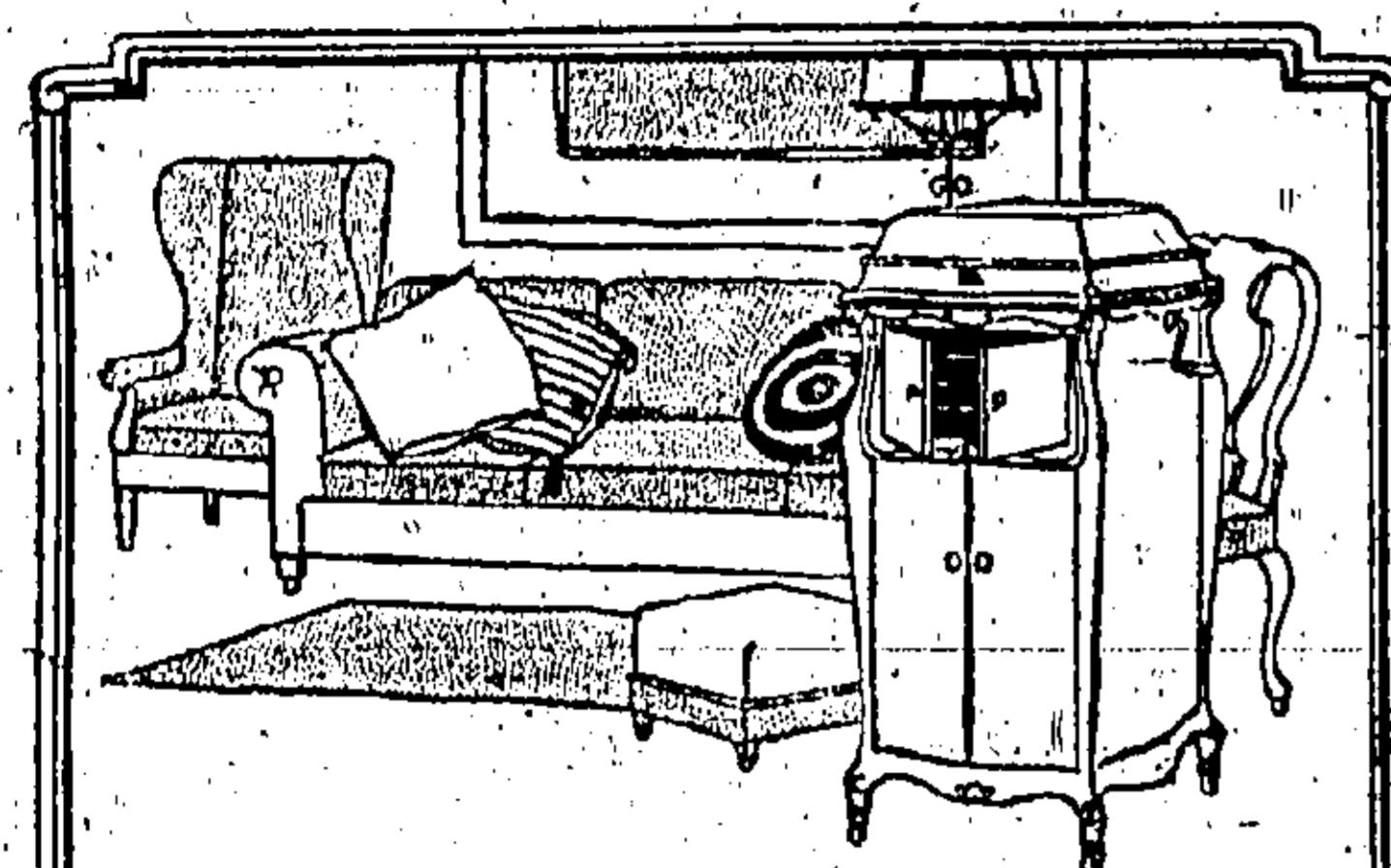
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ANOTHER HEATED SENATE DEBATE.

"PURELY DOMESTIC MATTERS."

BOTH SIDES ASSAILED THE REPORT.

WASHINGTON, May 8.

The Senate heatedly debated the immigration bill. Both sides bitterly assailed the conference report postponing Japanese exclusion.

Senators Robinson, Borah, Johnson, Lodge, Reed and others maintained that immigration was purely a domestic matter and ought not to be made the subject of treaty negotiation.

The Californian Senator Shortridge announced his intention of moving a point of order that the committee had exceeded its authority and recommending an extension of the date of the measure and lowering the barrier against Asiatic immigration.—*Reuter's American Service*.

[The Congressional Committee accepted President Coolidge's suggestion to report on the provision making the Immigration Bill effective from March 1, 1925 instead of July 1 next on the understanding that the formal abrogation of the "gentlemen's agreement" will in the meantime be negotiated. The Committee rejected a proposal to postpone the operation of the bill until March 1, 1926.]

VOICE OF COMMERCE.

CLEVELAND, May 8.

A plenary session of the United States Chambers of Commerce unanimously passed a resolution opposing the exclusion of Japanese by legislative enactment.—*Reuter's American Service*.

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Senator Robinson.



Senator Reed.



Senator Johnson.

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AMERICA'S WELCOME SUGGESTION.

BRITAIN READY TO HELP.

LONDON, May 8.

The desirability of a policy of disarmament on one hand and the provision for equipment of dockyards on the other were the main points in the debate on the Naval Estimates in the House of Commons.

The Conservatives persisted in urging the necessity of improving the Singapore dockyard. Mr. L. C. M. S. Amery, former First Lord of the Admiralty, said there was an overwhelming case for modernising at least one dockyard east of the Suez Canal and in such an event there was no doubt which one should be chosen.

Mr. C. G. Anson, Parliamentary Secretary of the Admiralty replying, said the Government had noted with the greatest friendliness and pleasure the American Senate's resolutions as regards a limitation of armaments conference. It would do everything possible as far as Britain was concerned to show a reciprocal desire to enter any such negotiations and discussions.—*Reuter*.

NEW ERA.

LONDON, May 8.

Mr. Charles Ray Nasmith, the new American consul at Newcastle, called on the Lord Mayor and expressed himself anxious to co-operate in the helpful relations between Britain and the United States.—*Reuter*.

[Every cloud respecting British and American relations was removed by the settlement of the long standing dispute in regard to the American consulate at Newcastle where two consuls were deprived of their *exequaturs* on the ground that they used their official position to further the interests of American trade.]

EMPIRE WIRELESS.

LONDON, May 8.

Reuter understands that the Cabinet has reached a decision regarding Empire wireless but the time and method of announcing the decision will be left to the Cabinet's wireless committee. It is understood that the decision adopts the main lines of the Donald report.—*Reuter*.

GOVERNMENT CHALLENGED.

MCKENNA DUTIES THE ISSUE.

MOTION A VOTE OF CENSURE.

LONDON, May 8.

In the House of Commons, Mr. J. R. Clynes, Deputy Leader of the House, announcing that Mr. Stanley Baldwin's motion that "it is inexpedient to remove the McKenna duties" would be taken on May 12 said that although the motion was introduced in ordinary terms the Government regarded it as a vote of censure.—*Reuter*.

DEFEAT UNLIKELY.

LATER.

A Government defeat on the Budget is always a serious matter and in view of Mr. Clynes' announcement to-day the Government is bound to treat their defeat on Tuesday in the conventional way by adjourning the House and considering their position.

The chance of defeat is infinitesimal, however, as the Liberals will certainly support the Government while Labour members who favour the McKenna duties are bound to rally to the Government's support after Mr. Clynes' statement.—*Reuter*.

[The McKenna duties were a war measure imposed in 1916. Mr. Bonar Law undertook to remove them after the war. They included tariffs of 33 1/3 per cent on imported motor cars, pianos, watches, clocks, cinema, films and a few other articles. There have been intimations in the papers lately on the part of a number of manufacturers in the trades concerned, particularly the motor car makers, that abolition of the duties would mean the wholesale dismissal of workers. Hence the doubt whether the Labour Government would abolish the duties and Mr. Snowden's explanation during the Budget debate that the date of abolition was fixed for August 1 in order to avoid inconvenience to the trades concerned.]

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E. V. JESSEN,
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Hongkong, 24th April, 1924.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at its Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 16th May, 1924, at 12 noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1923, and of declaring Dividends etcetera. THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be closed from May 2nd to May 16th, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 26th April 1924.

BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 16th May, 1924, at 12.15 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1923, and of declaring Dividends etcetera.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from May 2nd to May 16th, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 26th April 1924.

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C. MONTAGUE EDE,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 26th April 1924.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the STATUTORY MEETING of the Company will be held at 3.00 P.M. at the Registered Office of the Company, 2nd floor, China Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 9th day of May, 1924.

By Order,
CHINO AMERICAN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPING CO., LTD.,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 28th April, 1924.

NOTICE:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that scrip No. 4227 for 500 shares Ewo Cotton Mills Ltd., in the name of Mr. Ezra ABRAHAM of Hongkong together with a duly executed transfer deed purporting to assign the said shares has been lost.

The said shares are the property of the undersigned, and application has been duly made to the Company for the issue of a duplicate scrip.

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Messrs. ELLIS & CO.
Hongkong, 9th April, 1924.

THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-THIRD ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned, on FRIDAY, the 23rd May, 1924, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December 1923.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 9th to the 23rd May 1924, both days inclusive.

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Entries close on 10th May 1924.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Second Annual Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, on Monday, 26th May 1924, at noon.

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By Order of the Board of Directors,
S. J. JORDAN,
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Mr. Mackenzie King, the Canadian Prime Minister, has informed M. Yaskoff, the Soviet agent, that Canada is prepared to recognise the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

Signor Mussolini, the Italian Prime Minister, will attend the funeral services at Milan of Signor Bonservizi, the Fascist leader in Paris, who was shot by an Italian anarchist.

The British Broadcasting Company announce they will broadcast the overtures to the Gilbert and Sullivan operas, as originally composed by Sir Arthur Sullivan in a few weeks' time.

Dawson City, in the Yukon, claims to possess the Empire's most northerly wheatfields. The altitude is that of Southern Iceland, 64 degrees, and crops of 30 bushels to the acre have been grown.

Mr. Percy Bolton, of Oundle School, has been appointed, at the age of 35, to succeed the Rev. Dr. W. H. Flecker as headmaster of Dean Close School, Cheltenham, when the latter retires in July next.

A noted Shire horse, Babington Nulli Secundus, the property of Mr. J. O. Rowett, of Frant, Sussex, who financed the Shackleton expedition, has just died. He was the sire of many winners at the London Shire Show.

The Rev. Gilbert Watling, vicar of St. John's Upper Edmonton, N.W., was ordered by the Tottenham magistrates to pay a general district rate of £10 17s. 6d. in 14 days and a poor rate of £17 3s. 2d. in 28 days, or go to prison for 12 weeks.

The Relgate Bench committed

for trial on the charge of burglary

Cyril Jinks and Frank Jephcott, two youths who, it was alleged,

broke out from the Philanthropic Society's reformatory school at Redhill and stole a quantity of

tinned food from a shop and re-

turned to the institution.

The King has ordained that

Otavia Jane Nolan, widow of Mr.

Robert Howard Nolan, of Auck-

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have been entitled had her hus-

band survived to be invested with

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The West Indian mail steamer

"Macoris" arrived at Plymouth

three days late owing to a mishap

to her port propeller in mid-

Atlantic.

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While attempting to close a door

on a moving train John Russell,

a foreman porter, of Chertsey, was

killed at Reddington railway sta-

tion.

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A girl's band of 60 performers,

all under 12, played to the Queen

when she visited Dr. Barnardo's

Girls' Village Home at Barkingside,

Essex.

* * *

Lord Allendale, one of the largest

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HONGKONG, FRIDAY, MAY 9, 1924.

THE LAST CAR.

Can it be said that the public of Hongkong is well served by the services that cater for its convenience? During the day there may not be much to complain about. The lower level trams run at stated times at a dead level uniformity of speed. They may be half empty or overfull; yet they run. The public may overcrowd them—as they do more than frequently—but the rule that is correctly printed in good English prose that standing room is not

respectable. Let no young person who has taken the wrong turning trot out the old excuse that he or she did not know. Did not know that is that the last ferry, car, or tram left at, or on, and a little before midnight. We fear that Hongkong is a byword on the tongues of Shanghai, Manila, and Singapore—and all on account of our public utility services. Jack Jones on the Peak who has not seen his best friend since yesterday, must scurry or he will be left. The Peal person (let the sibilants be pronounced nicely please) makes the same dash when he is on a lower level, whilst those who would make Kowloon their home are often deterred therefrom by the fact of that last ferry. Surely there should be no last ferry, car or tram. It should be possible to have hourly conveyances after midnight—especially in this weather, and thus make life less irksome than it is, and as some auctioneer said a long time ago—"one grand sweet song."

Fever versus Flowers.

Sentiment and business we understand are never very happy companions. One undoubtedly conflicts with the other. The result is that the generality of business men is of the strong, silent type, pictured in a certain class of novel. We imagine his motto to be "Does it pay?" with the alternative "Business is business." This happily does not seem to apply to Government bodies—at any rate not to the Sanitary Board. They believe in living and letting live—especially where gardeners and mosquitoes are concerned. We, with them, can find a measure of sympathy for the man who grows and sells flowers opposite the Kowloon Hotel for a living, but who seems to be responsible—for the mosquitoes about which residents at the Hotel complain; and with the acting head of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs we are almost prepared to shed tears. But we are bound to point out that the Government has sold land which has now been developed for the definite purpose of housing people; that the Sanitary Board exists for the purpose of making the Colony as healthy as possible, and freeing the place as far as possible from mosquitoes which it is admitted are not aids to health. It seems absurd to request a Chinese gardener to keep mosquitoes down, especially when the only means of so doing is likely to injure his garden. The only sensible thing to do is to remove the gardener to a more isolated spot where he can grow his flowers in peace free from the complaints of those who naturally object to being bitten and probably contracting fever.

The Hunchback.

The considerable service which the cinema can do in the cause of literature—or good fiction, has been shown these last few days in the extraordinary run of "The Hunchback of Notre Dame" a masterpiece of French writing and story-telling. If crowds are anything to go by, it must be assumed that a very large number have read Victor Hugo's masterpiece and knowing how it moved them in the reading of it, desired to see the film version. Even if this is not necessarily so, it is probably right to assume that a large number will have been moved to get the book and to live over again the scenes thrown on the screen. Thus is the cinema helped by literature. It is possible that the cinema could get on without books. In fact Scenario writing is now a settled industry and has its own experts. But it may be questioned if they equal the story that is based on some standard or popular book. Memory thinks of such books and film versions of such as "Barnaby Rudge," "A Tale of Two Cities," "The Four Horsemen," settings of Shakespeare's plays, and the more moderns and is thankful that the cinema can at times eschew the merely sensational for the probably more satisfactorily artistic. And it is not that the cinema clings to the old in literature. Coming to Hongkong within the next few days is "Ponjola"—red-hot almost on the book itself; and "The Beautiful and Damned"—as modern as modernity can be. The cinema is therefore a moving concern in more senses than one.

OUR local Rationalists should be interested in the following extract from the will of the late Mr. H. Landor:

"I do not leave anything to the various charities and religious organisations to which I have subscribed during my lifetime, but as the Lord prosters and blessed my son I exhort him to continue the same so far as his means will allow as a small thankoffering for the way the Lord has led us and blessed us during the whole of our pilgrimage here below, and may He keep him and bless him henceforth and for evermore." (Net personality £9,633.)

Persons of musical taste are inclined to power of the Labour Government tends to make for the popularity of that very dreary hymn, "The Red Flag," once described by Mr. George Bernard Shaw as suggestive of the funeral-march of a fried egg. The words date from 1889, when nihilists in Russia and anarchists in Chicago flourished. They first appeared in *Justice*, some in a train between Charing Cross and New Cross by the author, one Connell. It was not until about 1895 that a musical setting was provided. This, of course, was based on the German folk tune, "O Tannenbaum" (O, fir tree), a Christmas song of tender associations. It is more cheerful as a song for children than as a hymn of political hate.

Although a corporation respondent to a London daily recently made the statement that the "Midland Tree" at Lillington, Warwickshire, stands at the very centre of England, many will recall that such a distinction is generally regarded as belonging to the old stone on the green at Meriden, five miles from Coventry, on the main road to Birmingham. Anyhow, very close to this stone is a war memorial, erected in this location, it is understood, so as to be as near to the "heart" of England as possible.

Once upon a time BRIGHTE, the Tube man's conversation with his passengers was confined to a moody "Pass it down car, please," or "No smoke lift." But the company's film lessons in politeness have changed all that. The other day, as a train "steamed" out of the station (writes a correspondent), the gateman looked in on us in a fatherly way and announced courteously, "Please hold tight; we are now about to proceed."

Our Phillipine friends LORD... tackled on Lord to H. E. the Governor's title when he visited them. The word seems to be fatal. We notice in quite one of the best New York papers a faithful likeness of Mr. Asquith, but declared to be Lord Asquith. Margot would probably be amused if she knew.

The various FILIPINO brands of un-ENGLISH English English spoken in the Pacific countries are always containing. Some good specimens come from Manila, where a Filipino guide introduced himself to an English tourist with the words: "Me want to be big wow-wow to you, my sir." And the following charming letter of resignation was sent by an up-country female teacher to the Director of Education: "Dear Sir, I have the honour to resignate, as my works are many and my salary few. Besides which my supervising teacher makes many loving to me, to which I only reply, 'Oh not, Oh not.' Yours very respectfully, Josefina."

A school teacher in the East End sends SCHOOL a good story. She HOWLER set her class the task of giving the direct opposite to a number of words she wrote down. One of the words was "Private," and a little girl, with a knowledge extensive and peculiar beyond her years, gave as the opposite to it "jug and bottle."

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(A Chinese Cottage.) After the shower at Pa-shang, I see the evening-lines of wild geese. Boughs of alien, limp-hanging leaves, A lantern's cold gleam, lonely in the night, A vacant garden, white with dew, Stones that have fallen from a hermitage, I have taken my ease here long enough.... What am I waiting for, I wonder? —Ma Tai, Translated from the Chinese.

WEATHER CALENDAR

MAY 9.

1699. Back to the Park, and there till night, being fine weather, and much Company. And so home, and after

supper to bed. This day I first left off both my waistcoats by day and my waistcoats by night, it being very hot weather, so hot as to make me break out here and there, in my hands, which vexes me to see, but is good for me.—Peppys.

To die will be an awfully big adventure. —J. M. Barrie.

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May 26.—Second meeting of shareholders of Lane, Crawford Ltd., at the Hongkong Hotel, noon.

EXHIBITION.

May 11.—Aerial Acrobatic feats at Happy Valley, 2.30 p.m.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

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Two seafarers of opium were made shortly after ten o'clock last night when the third engineer (Chinese) and the cook (Chinese) were arrested and found in possession of two packages, one containing 30 taels and the other 20 taels of prepared opium.

The six men who were arrested yesterday in a roundup by Hongkong Police at a tea house in Des Voeux Road and found in possession of daggers and gags, were brought before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Hongkong Magistrate this morning. The case against them was remanded for a week.

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POLICE SERGT. CHARGED.

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INSUBORDINATION.REFUSED TO SALUTE A
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CASE ADJOURNED.

Sgt. Roberts of the Hongkong Police was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Hongkong Magistracy this morning, with "being a member of the Hongkong Police is guilty of insubordination in that he refused to salute a superior officer on May 8."

The Court was crowded with members of the Police amongst whom were the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Captain-Superintendent. Sgt. Roberts pleaded not guilty to the charge and asked that the charge be amended as the original charge had been amended to bring him within the jurisdiction of the Court. It was not the same charge as was read out to him in the Superintendent's office.

Sgt. Roberts also asked for a remand in order to give him time to secure legal advice on the matter.

Mr. Lindsell adjourned the case until Wednesday noon on the sergeant's application and fixed bail at \$50.

The superior officer concerned in the case is Inspector Kent.

CABLES TO CANTON.

SERVICE AGAIN RESUMED.

After a brief interruption following military occupation of a part of the lines outside British territory, the telegraph service between Hongkong and Canton has again been definitely resumed and cables are passing to and fro without trouble.

About ten days ago the Hongkong office of the Chinese Telegraphs Administration announced that the service after being held up for months had started again, but this return to previous conditions was only short-lived as Chan's soldiers re-invaded Sam-chun. Now that the invaders have gone no difficulty remains and it is sincerely hoped that there will be no more interruptions.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Wang Chen-ping has applied for ten days' leave. It is understood that he has given up all intention of resigning, says a Peking telegram to the *Daily Bulletin*.

Those who sailed on the "Empress of Asia" yesterday included Count and Countess of Cassillis, who are going to Shanghai; Major-General Sir John Fowler, Lady Fowler and daughter, who are going to North China; Mr. and Mrs. D. G. M. Bernard, Hon. Mr. C. McL. Messer, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Murray, Mr. H. A. Nott, Rev. Father Spada, Mr. D. Templeton (going to Shanghai), Mrs. and Miss. Templeton (going home), Major Trench, the Rev. Father H. Valtorta, and Mr. Fred Ellis.

M. POINCARÉ.

HIS SPARTAN HABITS.

Poincaré: A "Biographical Portrait," published to-day (T. Fisher Unwin, 7s. 6d.), is an excellent account of the French Prime Minister and his policy by Mr. Sisley Huddleston, who for some years has been an English Press correspondent in Paris.

This is his description of M. Poincaré's personal appearance:

He is rather pale in complexion, and his face in repose always wears a melancholy expression. Behind the white mask there burns a fire which now and again in the course of conversation flashes through his eyes.

At eight every morning he is at the Quai d'Orsay. He is tireless and punctual; not a moment is lost. It is often between 8 and 9 o'clock in the evening when he leaves the Quai d'Orsay to dine at home.

It is believed by a good many people that M. Poincaré does not really represent France. This, says the author, is a complete delusion: It would be hard to find a more genuine exponent of French views than M. Poincaré.

Mr. Huddleston has the severest criticism for the methods of successive British Governments:

This eternal game of seesaw between France and Germany, he says, so far from preventing another war, will make another war absolutely certain. Germany, encouraged and supported by England, will sooner or later revolt in arms against the Treaty of Versailles and will seek her revenge. Once more Germany will be on top.

WILLIAM HEUGHAN.

FAMOUS SINGER AT
STAR THEATRE.

Though William Heughan has gained the basis of his reputation as a talented Scotch bass singer, he proved to an appreciative audience at the Star Theatre last night that his repertoire is not entirely composed of Scotch songs for he sang Irish and English melodies which were equally popular and also "The Song of the Flea" which again was deservedly applauded. Mr. Heughan shouldered most of the burden of the evening and must have contributed at least twenty songs to the evening's entertainment. Dave Kennedy caused some amusement with his humorous Scotch numbers and Miss Gladys Sayer provided a welcome diversion with her capable execution of piano forte solos. As an accompanist throughout the evening she worked hard and well earned the applause.

Mr. Heughan announced that to-night he will give another concert and will sing several of the songs that have been specially asked for.

THOSE LANDLORDS.

WHY THE WALLS WERE
TAPPED.

That the landlord had a perfect right to take the roof from over a tenant's head if he did not go out was the contention of Mr. C. A. Brooks in defending the action of Wong Sao who was sued yesterday at the Summary Court by the Kam Sang firm for \$1,000 damages for trespass.

Further evidence for the plaintiff's claim was given, it being stated that the front of the premises concerned (27 Lyndhurst Terrace) were blocked with poles and a matted, the tiles were taken off and although these were replaced, the plaster was not and daylight was visible through them. The walls were hammered and gaps made in them.

Part of the evidence for the defence was also heard, the landlord stating that the house was old and the walls were tapped to see if they were safe.

The case was adjourned sine die.

MOTOR BUS DEATHS.

DRIVERS CHARGED WITH
MANSLAUGHTER.

The two bus drivers of the Chun Hing Company, charged with manslaughter as sequel to the collision between two buses in the New Territory on April 6 when four of the passengers were killed and several others injured, reappeared at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon before Mr. R. E. Lindsell.

According to the evidence of various witnesses at 11 o'clock on the same morning, another bus of the same company met with an accident at Ching Lung Tau, and overturned. The conductor of one of the buses concerned in the collision stated the bus left Ping Shan with over 20 passengers. The number allowed by the licence was 22. Arriving at Ping Shan, Police Sergeant Stimson stopped the bus and turned away 7 passengers in excess of the number allowed. Witness said he did not know at what speed the bus was going at when it collided. He was collecting fares at the time. Suddenly he was knocked senseless. When he regained consciousness, about ten minutes later, he found that his bus had been wrecked.

In reply to Traffic Inspector Kent, witness said that after the Sergeant had turned away the excess passengers the driver coldly told him for allowing people to board the bus when it was full. Witness told the driver that it was very difficult to stop people from boarding the bus as there were two entrances. The case was again adjourned.

CORRESPONDENCE.

HONGKONG GEOLOGY.

To the Editor of the *China Mail*:

I observe in your reports that Professor Schofield stated in his lecture on geology at Hongkong University that, though Hongkong has what is termed a drowned coast, the water had never been higher than at present?

If that be so, can the Professor, or anybody else who has studied the subject, explain the existence of beds of sand in conjunction with layers of loose pebbles (mostly limestone) on some of our hills, even as high as 1,200 feet above sea level? Yours etc.,

INTERESTED.
Hongkong, May 8, 1924.

"TAI LEE" MASTER.

GROSS DEROGATION
OF DUTY.

In this case I find the defendant, the master of a British ship, the s.s. "Tai Lee," admitting that he does not muster or check his crew to discover illegal changes in the personnel. This I consider, in view of the prevalence of piracy, which has been found by proper enquiry to be due to the connivance of the crew of ships,

to be a gross derogation of his duty as master."

This censure was delivered by Lieut.-Comdr. Hale at the Marine Court yesterday when he fined Captain J. Webster \$10 for (a) unlawfully discharging two seamen without the sanction of the Harbour Master, and (b) shipping four seamen to do duty on board.

A fine of \$10 was entered. Deputy Shipping Master G. W. Coys stated that at 5 p.m. on 1st May he visited the "Tai Lee" in company with the Master, and mustered the crew. He found four men who were not members of the crew according to the ship's articles. He also learned that two other men had left the ship that day.

The ship's articles were then handed up to the bench and it was shown that the new men had not signed on, nor had those dismissed signed off.

Captain Webster, in defence, said that these changes took place without his knowledge or consent, and that he had nothing at all to do with the payment of the men or anything else. In answer to questions he stated that he never mustered or checked the crew in any way.

HONOUR FOR HONDA.

CHOSEN FOR DAVIS CUP
TEAM.

Hongkong will have the distinction of seeing one of its best lawn tennis players competing in the Davis Cup competition for Mr. T. Honda, the Japanese player who won the Singles Championship of the Colony recently, has been selected to play in the Olympic competitions in Paris, in place of Mr. Ohta, who, on his arrival in the Colony on the "Katori Maru," was immediately removed to the Government Civil Hospital, where an operation was performed for appendicitis.

This is a great honour for Mr. Honda, though no one who has seen his exhibitions can doubt the choice as being unworthy of such a clever exponent.

Honda will leave for Paris by the "Atsuta Maru," or, if possible, an earlier boat. Mr. Ohta will return to Japan when he recovers.

COMMERCE AND FINANCE.

NAM-PAK HONG MARKETS.

This morning's Nam Pak Hong quotations, basis usual guild terms, were as follows:-

Java sugar, average quality, per picul net:- "Futures" No. 24 rough white July delivery \$11.63, August delivery \$11.53, September delivery \$11.43. "Spot" No. 24 rough white \$13.85, No. 24 fine white \$15.50, No. 18 rough brown 13.30, Java brown 11.80.

Rice, average quality, per picul gross for net:- No. 1 Siam long white \$9.70, No. 1 Saigon long white 7.85.

Flour, per sack of 50 lbs:- Sperry's XXX \$3.46, White Greens 2.55, Nutmeg Orange 2.53, Kingfisher 2.82, Maize 2.45, Big Gun 2.62, Tiger Shield 2.90, Globe 2.44, Old Mill 2.44, Reindeer 2.50, Melon 2.48, White Rose 2.44, C. & C. 2.58, Dayton 2.50, Banana 2.44, Kwan Tao 2.44.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

In addition to the quotations given on page II as usual, the following should be noted:-

Hongkong Sharebrokers' Assoc.:-

H.K. & Shanghai Hotel shares-Old issue are numbered 1 to 375,000 inclusive, and the New issue (1924) \$5 paid, are numbered from 375,001 onwards.

YANGTSE WATERWAYS.

PEKING, May 8.

Général Tien, Military Attaché at Nanking, has arrived at Loyang, where he will discuss means for guarding the waterways in the Yangtze Valley. -Courtesy *Daily Bulletin*.

BILLIARDS.

THE HO-KOM-TONG CUPS.

At the Palace Hotel last night in the handicap competition for the Ho Kom-tong Cups, Mr. W. Wong (-150) beat Mr. H. P. Brooks (-100) by 250-225. The breakers were: Wong, 26, 25, 24, 23, 22, 21, 17, 15; Brooks, 24, 14, 13.

JAPAN VISIT.

INDO-CHINA GOVERNOR'S
MISSION.

Tokyo, May 8. M. Merlin, Governor-General of Indo-China, who has arrived here, was welcomed by the Government, Municipal officials, Embassy, and the leaders of the French colony.

To-morrow M. Merlin will be received in audience by the Prince Regent, and will attend a luncheon to be given in his honour.

Many of the morning papers editorially welcome the visitor as an opportunity for cementing the friendship and economic relations between France and Japan. -Courtesy "Daily Bulletin."

CHINA AND SOVIET.

REDS TO LEAVE URGIA?

Peking, May 8. Wu Pei-fu has telegraphed to Dr. Wellington Koo assuring the latter of his support in connection with the Russo-Chinese negotiations, which he hopes will be speedily resumed on the basis of the early withdrawal of the Red troops from Urgia. -Courtesy "Daily Bulletin."

HONORARY DEGREE.

NEW YORK MAN HONOURED.

Patna, May 8. Dr. Maximilian Toch, Professor of Industrial Chemistry at the Cooper Institute, New York, who came to China at the invitation of the Chinese Government in order to deliver a course of lectures on wood-oils and the means to correct their adulteration, to-day, received the degree of Doctor of Science, which has been conferred for the second time by the Government University.

Dr. Toch is proceeding to London this evening via Hankow, accompanied by Mr. J. J. Keegan. -Courtesy "Daily Bulletin."

EDITOR'S CLAIM.

NEWSPAPER ALLEGES
NEGLIGENCE.

Shanghai, May 9. The "China Press," replying to Mr. Webb's action for \$80,000 alleges plaintiff "neglected, failed and refused to carry out all the duties and obligations on his part to be performed." The Company asks that the case be dismissed with costs. -Reuter.

FAREWELL DINNER.

SHANGHAI, May 9.

The Shanghai Race Club yesterday evening gave a farewell dinner to the well-known jockey Mr. Bill Hill, who is returning from China. -Reuter.

ADMIRAL Sir ARTHUR LEVISON.

Admiral Sir Arthur Levison, who is arriving at Shanghai tomorrow after an inspection tour of Swatow, Amoy and Foochow, will open the Union Jack Club on Monday, says the *Daily Bulletin*.

Wu Pei-fu telegraphed to President Tsao Kun on May 5, says a Peking cable to the *Daily Bulletin*, expressing the view that at present it is not advisable to make any Cabinet changes.

The Hon. Mr. A. G. Stephen, Chief Manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, has arrived, and is leaving for home on board the "Empress of Asia" to-morrow, says a *Daily Bulletin* Shanghai cable.

Peking, May 8-Sun Tan-lin, ex-Minister of the Interior, who left Loyang on May 5, is officially visiting Tientsin, Tsingtao, Shanghai and Hankow. The object of these visits has not been revealed. -Courtesy *Daily Bulletin*.

Moscow, May 8-The provincial court at Ekaterinoslav has condemned to death four ex-officers of the Denikin and Wrangel armies, who were allegedly connected with anti-revolutionary associations abroad after the civil war, and killed many Soviet officials. -Reuter.

Moscow, May 8-The trial has concluded of sixteen industrialists charged with economic espionage, corruption and unfair practices. Two were sentenced to death and a number of others to long terms of imprisonment. All the accused were connected with the textile trust. The prosecutor described the proceedings as an effort to prevent private capital conquering the wholesale trade. -Reuter.

German measles has broken out at Harrow School, over 20 cases being reported from one House.

London, May 8-Home Cricket: South Africa 6 for 9. Heavy rain caused play to be abandoned for the day. -Reuter.

Lord Hugh Cecil suggested at the annual meeting of the Holloway Discharged Prisoners' Aid Society that every prison cell should be placarded: "There is no disgrace in being punished. Don't be ashamed of going to prison. Be ashamed of stealing."

SIMPLEX PLASTER.

STATUTORY MEETING
ADDRESS.

Tokyo, May 8. At the meeting this afternoon Mr. Carl B. Shank, chairman of the Directors, said:-

"This meeting is held under the provisions of the Company's Ordinance of 1911, which requires a report of the position of the Company to be laid before you within three months from the date of incorporation of the Company. The report has been duly circulated among the shareholders, and it contains particulars of receipts and disbursements since the Company was authorized to commence business to April 24, being the date the accounts were closed for the purpose of preparing the report."

This is all the business to be undertaken at this meeting; but I may, however, take this opportunity of informing you that contracts have been entered into for the purchase of the necessary materials for the manufacture of Simplex plaster. Further, your Directors have been fortunate in securing the services of a leading expert in the manufacture of plaster and gypsum products. I am, therefore, in a position to state that the preliminary arrangements have been satisfactorily concluded.

ALLEGED FORGERY.

That she feloniously uttered two \$50 and two \$10 Straits Settlements notes and a \$10 bank note, knowing them to have been forged, was the charge preferred against Lo Ching, a married woman, at the Yaumati court this morning. She was remanded for a week without evidence.

PALMISTRY SECRETS.

TYPES OF SCOTTISH
HANDS.

For two hours, in the Gold Hall, Edinburgh, Mr. A. Nicol Bruce, W.S., imparted secrets in the art of "reading the hand," to a gathering of about 100 people, mostly women.</p

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"DEVANHA"	10,912	28th Aug.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MANTRA"	9,118	8th Sept.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
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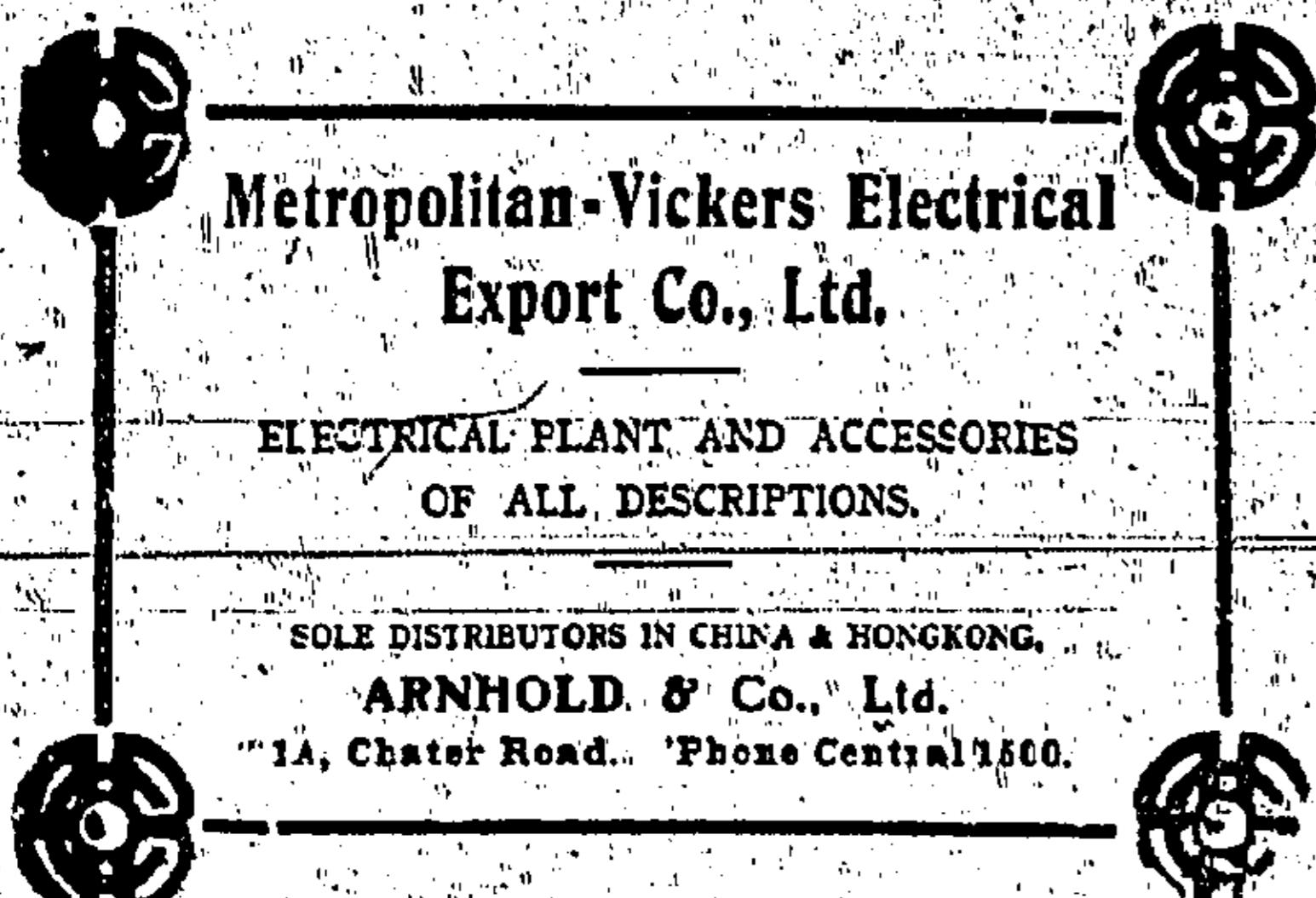
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A JURY'S SCALE OF AWARDS:

SAME MAN WHO WAS IN ASYLUM.

Legal arguments will be heard to decide the amount of damages, ranging from £5,000 to £25,000, which were awarded by a jury in the King's Bench Division to Mr. William Smart, barrister, a fruit and hop grower of Springfield, Newington, Kent, for false imprisonment in mental homes for more than eight years.

Mr. Justice Lush, at the close of the case, which had lasted 16 days, said that no one could have heard the evidence without feeling some misgiving as to the sufficiency of the present laws to protect persons against being detained in asylums when they ought not to have been. He suggested that a judicial inquiry might be held in certain circumstances.

The action had been brought by Mr. Harrett against Dr. Charles Hubert Bond, a Commissioner in Lunacy, of Victoria-street, S.W., and Dr. George Henry Adam, manager of a house for the reception of inmates, at Malling Place, West Malling, Kent.

Mr. Harrett got the idea that he had been infected by his first wife, with germs which had set up nasal catarrh. He went to a tailor at Chatham who at that time was claiming to be able to cure catarrh by means of tuberculin injections. After some injections he was thrown into such a high state of fever and delirium that he was out of his mind for several days in October 1912, according to his cousin, Mr. J. A. Matthews, K.C. That led to his being received on November 10, 1912, into the home of Dr. Adam.

LETTER ON PROSECUTION.—On December 12, 1912, he was let out on probation for 28 days, and went to London on December 14, to see the Commissioners in Lunacy. He was seen by Dr. Bond, and the lunatic asylum keepers arrived to take him back to Malling. After being kept in various asylums, he escaped on October 15, 1921, and by evading recapture for a fortnight he secured his liberty under an Act of Parliament. Upon consulting mental specialists, he was certified to be sane, and had the management of his property restored to him.

Mr. Matthews described the case as of great public and constitutional importance, and the Attorney-General, Sir Patrick Hastings, K.C., who appeared on behalf of the Crown, as Dr. Bond had acted in his official capacity as a Commissioner of Lunacy, said that the case raised issues of importance greatly exceeding that of the issues affecting Mr. Harrett. The case amounted to an examination of the practical administration of the Lunacy Acts, and it must have occurred to everyone that things had appeared in the case which gave very grave cause for anxiety.

Mr. Harrett, in his evidence, said that while he was in the homes his income from his farm was £1,500 a year. At one time he was allowed £2,000 a week pocket money.

Sir James Crichton-Brown, a visitor to Lunacy for 14 years, who was called for the defence, said he thought Mr. Harrett went to a quick-wins on the verge of an attack of mania. Religious fervour, when it becomes intense and persistent, and influenced behaviour that led to interference with others, become religious mania. Not every "revival" a number of weekly, ill-balanced people were sent to asylums suffering from religious mania.

During the case reference had been made to Mr. Harrett's habit of asking people if they could spell "parallelogram," and at the hearing Mr. Justice Lush referred to the "parallelogram" inquiry. It was sometimes used as a test for drunkenness, and in rewriting "The Mikado" for children Sir W. S. Gilbert indicated that the inquiry was a common one. Speaking of people who were here, he said: "I've made a little list. I've made a list of inconvenient people who might well be underground. For they never would be missed—they never would be missed—the donkey who, of nine-times-six-and-eight-times-seven prates, and stamps over with impatience on geography and dates."

And look for your lists on spelling parallelogram."

JURY'S FINDINGS.—After an absence of nearly three hours the jury found that:

Mr. Harrett was not of unsound mind when he was detained.

PALACE AND COTTAGE
DAYS OF FIRST LABOUR
GOVERNMENT.

The romantic novelist of a hundred years hence is beginning his new book, and this is what he says of us, states a home paper:

It was the morning of March 18, 1924, a bright and sunny morning with Spring hovering over St. James's Park, and his Majesty King George V. was holding his second Levee of the season at the old Palace of St. James.

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Yet on this bright March morning, there was nothing to show that the centuries-old forms and ceremonies of the old stronghold of tradition in Europe were in any way altered.

"THE MAN IN POWER."

The crowds were gathered on the narrow pavements, and along the broad stretch of the Mall, just as eager as ever to see a great spectacle, and nobody would have thought, as the brilliant throng arrived in a cascading stream, that Mr. Ramsay Macdonald was in power.

See, there is a stir of more than unusual interest among the crowd on the pavement. The Prime Minister himself is arriving. He is resplendent in a plumed cocked hat, though of sleek hide the brilliant uniform that is beneath.

In a instant stream the brilliant guests arrived, all of them conveyed in quaint motor cars of the period. The motor cars are of every kind—many of them superb closed carriages the highest form of luxury in transport then attained.

But now again a military officer rolls up in what was known as a two-seater, driven by his wife or daughter. And ever and anon admirals, judges, mayors, and what not arrive in the quaint old taxis of the time.

"SYMBOLS OF VALOUR."

It is a wonderful gathering, true reflection of the England of that day.

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Another stir of unusual interest. One of His Majesty's Secretaries of State is arriving. He was born in a cottage, and still lives in one, but he is resplendent in full Court dress. As his motorcar draws up the photographers whose curious duty it is to take pictures for newspaper approach him and ask him to pose.

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A well-dressed man called at the Hamburg home of Herr Stahl, director of the Vulcan Shipyard and said he had come on behalf of the men of the works who were on strike. He was shown into Herr Stahl's study, where he immediately whipped out a revolver, levelled it at the director, and said: "Unless you give me one million gold marks [£50,000] at once, I shall shoot."

Herr Stahl, having no money at home, said he would give him a pearl necklace. As he turned to a drawer in which the necklace was kept, a footman came in.

"Stand still, or I shoot," said the visitor, and as the summons was not obeyed he fired, wounding the man in the stomach.

Hearing the sound of firing, Frau Stahl rushed into the room just as her husband was handing over the valuable necklace.

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And then he forced the two to go downstairs, to their motor-car, which was standing before the house, ordered them to get in, took the keys next to Frau Stahl, and, levelling the revolver at the chauffeur, forced him to drive to a distant part of the town. There in a deserted street the thief got out and, turning to the chauffeur, said: "Move, and I shoot."

The thief was again obeyed by his victims, who are now offering a reward for the necklace.

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Now, however, it is the weapons which interest the war experts who direct their spies. The last world-war gave such a slip to mechanized and scientific invention that if another war comes it is likely to be of a very strange and terrible nature, and to know what gas, what decomposing high explosive shells, what swift armoured tanks, what monstrous submarines and what infernally fast aeroplanes will be used is considered of first importance. Plans of command come second.

WORLD WAR.

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Mr. Justice Lush, after making the remark quoted at the beginning, added that he was not making any attack on the Visitors of the Commissioners, but what they had heard was somewhat disquieting. "I can't help thinking," he said, "that unless the case is urgent or dangerous, it might be well worth while considering, where a man like Mr. Harrett could get doctors to examine him independently, whether some sort of judicial inquiry might not be held in order to consider the question because it is a very serious one."

He excused the jury further service for eight years, and said he would hear the legal arguments.

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M. Ossendowski's "Man and Mystery in Asia" (just published, Arnold, 14s.) is the work of a well-known mineralogist and authority on Central Asia who is now a professor on the Polish General Staff and who during the war was sent on a special investigating expedition into Mongolia.

He writes in collaboration with Mr. L. S. Palen, and gives us some of the most astonishing tales we have ever read, which certainly prove—if they are to be accepted as literal, unvarnished fact—that truth is much stranger than fiction. They are entirely concerned with his experiences and adventures in the wildest and least-known parts of Siberia.

He tells of the extraordinary plants and creatures found north of the Altai Range. Tarantulas are common. When he and a friend were bathing in a salt lake, his friend called to him:

"Get out as quick as you can!" With some reluctance I followed him. I soon made out an enormous tarantula spider walking with its long hairy legs on the water. It threateningly advanced its fangs and curried its hood high. It passed fairly close to me with the wolf-like expression of a hyæna with all its canines run out.

M. Ossendowski declares that the sheen is the worst see of this hideous spider.

Putting its fangs right into the spider's hole, it waited until the confident lord of battle fastened his waggon tongue with teeth and hairy fangs, with a visible amazement of the agreeable sensation thus seen closer. He says with amazement, and swallows the angry tarantula as we swallow a Blue Peacock's tongue cold without lemon.

He also tells us that inkeeneras on the Bolshaya route keep "tarantula wine" with which to "dope" the travellers whom they rob. It is made from tarantulas maddened before death, soaked in alcohol. A few drops added to any drink causes almost immediate faintness, which passes after some hours, but leaves, however, in the victim a form of madness of long duration, loss of memory, and incoherent movements and words. The victim cannot remember what befell him or where he last was.

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Whaling to-day is not quite such an adventurous affair as when hunters on sighted their prey went out in small boats. Nevertheless some of the big whales to-day could tow a 2,000 ton steamer, after being harpooned, for many hours with the engines racing hard astern, before they shew exhaustion.

A protest against the present wasteful slaughter of whales in the Southern Seas, was made by Sir Sidney Harmer, Director of Natural History at the British Museum, at a lecture to students of the Indian National Council.

There is very grave danger, he said, if this rate of slaughter continues, of exterminating the whale and killing industry. At no point in history has the slaughter been so appalling and so uneconomical.

Sir Sidney recalled the days when the whale was common in the Bay of Biscay, and whale flesh was commonly sold for human food in the streets of Paris.

I made two photographs from different sides of the dolphin. The same evening I developed my negatives. How astonished I was to find nothing on the plates! In the morning I went to the dolphin to try again, having loaded my camera with fresh plates from a new box. On developing I found nothing on the plates.

This dolphin, he learnt later, was the haunted tomb of one Abu Khan. He made another attempt on it and took three photographs, but when on his way to develop them he was flung from his wagon.

I lighted on a heap of stones and smashed my photographic apparatus so completely that the lenses and the cases were reduced to fragments.

Peking, May 8.—Wu Pei-fu requests Reuter's Agency to state that there is no truth in the foreign Press' statements concerning his alleged seizure of railway funds at Tsingtao or elsewhere for military purposes.—Courtesy Daily Bulletin.

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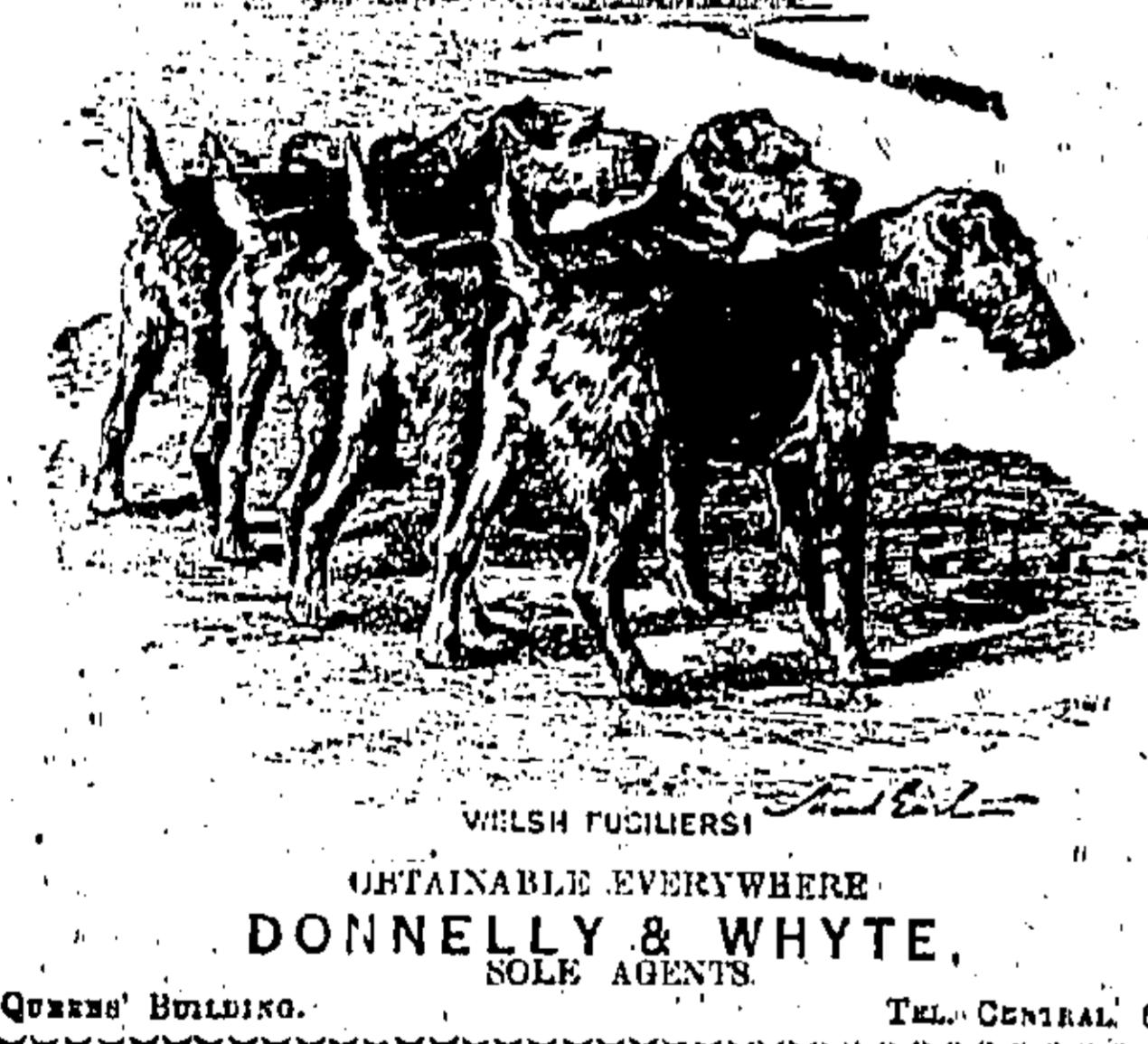
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Holyrood Palace, in Edinburgh, is the new residence of Mr. James Brown, M.P., newly-appointed Lord High Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland. Mr. Brown started life as a miner and married a mill girl. He became active in Labour politics and was elected to Parliament from South Ayrshire. His new office as Lord High Commissioner is one that for two and a half centuries has been held by members of the highest Scottish nobility.



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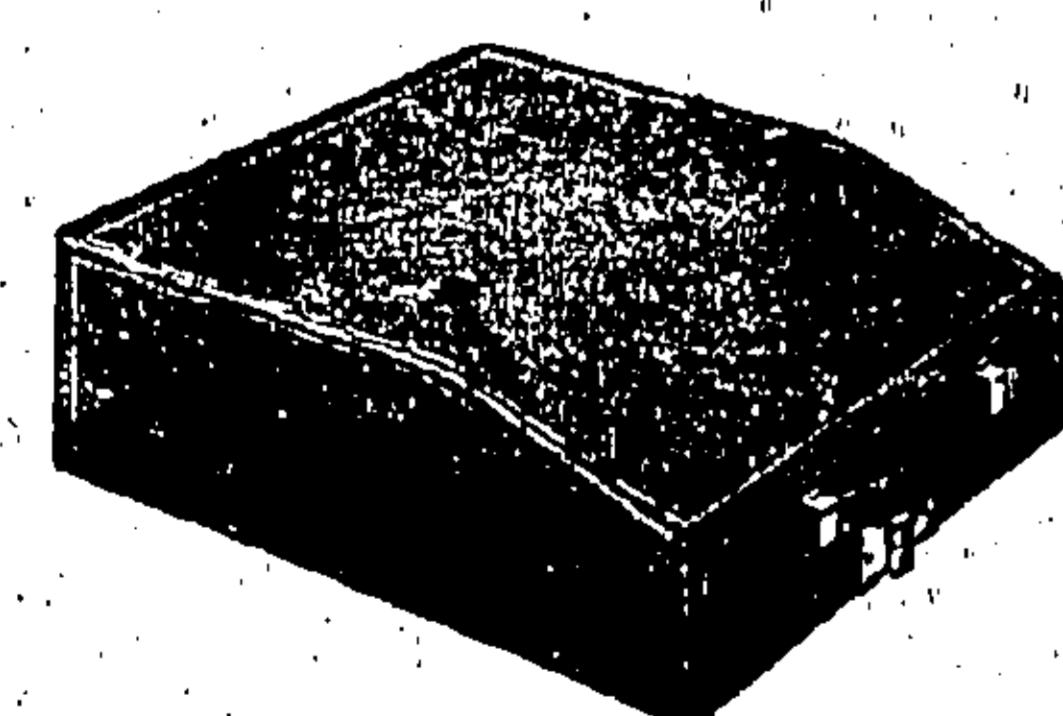
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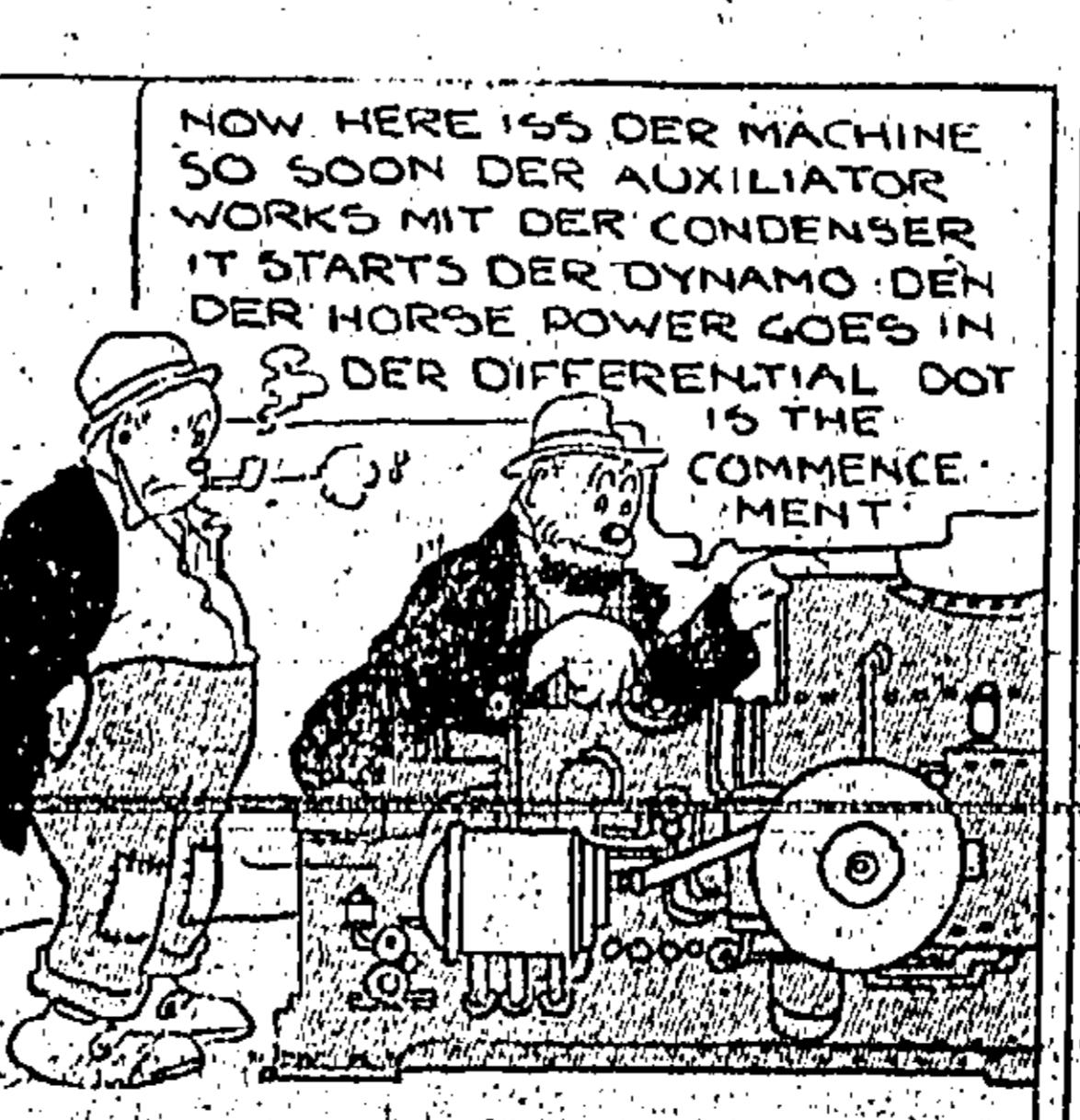
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Mr. Hays said that before he left the Cabinet he suggested to Mr. Sinclair that he should contribute to the fund, and he believed that Mr. Sinclair, acting on this suggestion, had given \$17,000. Mr. Sinclair himself denied he Committee by declining to give evidence before it again, in view of the fact that the Senate had superseded its own jurisdiction by transferring the Teapot Dome affair into the law courts.

Meanwhile, despite the widespread denunciation in Republican newspapers of its encouragement of "Mud-gutters," the Committee is preparing to hear the evidence of Al Jennings, once a daring mail bandit, and now a fervent evangelist, who is hurrying to Washington from Los Angeles with the allegation that the oil interests secured the nomination of Mr. Harding in 1920, instead of General Wood, by contributing £20,000 to the party coffers.

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papan—North Point.

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cutters.

Poole, (Tung Woo) from
Kwong-chow-wan—Co's Wharf.

Yejun Maru, (M. B. K.) from
Dairen—Wanchai.

City of Athens, (Bank Line) from
New York, Cebu—Holt's Wharf.

DEPARTURES.

Solviken, (Yuen Seng Fat) for
Saigon—May 9.

Hal Hong, (Douglas) for
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MOVEMENT OF STEAMERS.

The B. F. s.s. "Leviathan" from
Liverpool left Singapore on May 8
for this port and is due here on or about
on May 11.

The B. F. s.s. "Helenus" for London
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on or about May 11.

The B. F. s.s. "Polyphemus" left
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Hongkong, Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama
and is due here on or about on
May 23.

The B. F. s.s. "President Harrison"
which sailed at this port on May 17
arrived in Manila at 7 a.m. this
morning, also return from that port at
May 19, will sail for Victoria at 7 a.m.
on May 24 and will call for Victoria and
Cebu via Shanghai and Japan at
10 a.m. on May 26.

The A.O.L. s.s. "Pres. McKinley"
which sailed at this port on May 17
arrived from Seattle on Apr. 28 on
schedule.

The O.P.S. E.M.S. "Empress of
Russia" left Vancouver for Hongkong
via San Fransisco and Shanghai on May 1
and is due here on May 16.

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pool on Apr. 18 for Strait, Hoekong
and Shanghai and is due here on or about
on May 23.

The D.S.L. s.s. "President Harrison"
which is due at this port on May 18
sailed from San Fransisco on Apr. 16 on
schedule.

The E. s.s. "Polyphemus" left
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May 23.

The H.S.L. s.s. "Hindenburg" is due
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Swatow 1 p.m.

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WEATHER REPORT
May 11, 1924
Pressure has decreased very over considerably over N. E. Japan, which is now covered by a deep depression.

Pressure has increased considerably at Chefoo and Shanghai, an anticyclone having formed over N. China.

Conditions are unchanged in the South.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. today, 0.10 inches, total since January 1st, 12.02 inches, against an average of 14.04 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending 4 noon on May 10, 1924.

1. Furness Channel: E. winds, moderate; fine & cloudy.

2. South coast of China: E. winds, moderate; fine & cloudy.

3. Hongkong: Rock, E. winds, moderate; fine & cloudy.

4. Sea areas between Hongkong and Hainan: E. winds, moderate; fine & cloudy.

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